

## Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 10/689018 First Named Applicant: Wentink, Menzo  
 Examiner: Taylor Art Unit: 2441 Status of Application: Under Final

### Tentative Participants:

(1) Daniel R. Bestor (2) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Date of Interview: 1/5/10 Proposed Time: 2 PM AM/PM

### Type of Interview Requested:

(1) ☒ Telephonic (2) ☐ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ YES ☐ NO

If yes, provide brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

### Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rej</u>	<u>Independent claim</u>	<u>Li</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(4) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

☐ Continuation Sheet Attached

### Brief Description of Argument to be Presented:

Applicants will provide a brief overview of the currently claimed invention, and will discuss the independent claims relating to the Li reference, but with emphasis on claim 1. Potential amendments to claim 1 may be addressed.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on \_\_\_\_\_.

NOTE: This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01).

This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.

/Daniel R. Bestor/

Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature

Daniel R. Bestor

Typed/Printed Name of Applicant or Representative

58439

Registration Number, if applicable

Examiner/SPE Signature

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**(Docket No. 08-1456-US)**

<b>In re Application of:</b>	)	
	)	<b>Group Art Unit: 2141</b>
<b>Wentink, Menzo</b>	)	
	)	<b>Examiner: Taylor, Nicholas R.</b>
<b>Serial No.: 10/689,018</b>	)	
	)	<b>Confirmation No.: 4108</b>
<b>Filed: October 20, 2003</b>	)	
	)	
<b>For: TECHNIQUE FOR OPTIMIZING</b>	)	
<b>BACKOFF FOR A SHARED</b>	)	
<b>RESOURCE</b>	)	
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**Draft Claim – for discussion purposes only**

1. (Currently Amended) A method for accessing a shared resource comprising:

a first station sharing a resource ~~between~~ with a plurality of other stations;

the first station determining a first backoff interval by measuring an average wait time  
that ~~one of said plurality of stations~~ the first station incurred during a plurality of previous access  
attempts to the shared resource; and

once it is determined that the ~~one of said plurality of stations~~ first station desires access to  
the shared resource and the shared resource first becomes available, ~~preventing the one station~~  
the first station refraining from contending for access to said shared resource for at least an  
interval substantially equal to the first backoff interval.